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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claims:

21. A method of verifying proper coupling of an implement assembly to a lift arm assembly by an operator who is located in a cab of a work machine, with (i) the work machine including the implement assembly, the lift arm assembly, and a linkage assembly mechanically coupled to the implement assembly (ii) the implement assembly including a hinge plate, (iii) the hinge plate having a first coupling aperture extending therethrough, (iv)